

USAID Economic Growth Officers' Training Course

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USAID Reality

- Shrinking Agency staff
- Smaller Missions
- Broad economic growth portfolios, with diverse activities
- ♦ No formal training courses in several years
- Management drawn from three backstops
- Lack of shared knowledge/experience
- Lack sense of community



Training Goals

- Create a common and shared knowledge base for all economic growth officers
- Strengthen the sense of community among the three backstops
- Improve information sharing and networking



Approach

- Build curriculum around the EG skills matrix
- Establish common core competencies
- Create knowledgeable generalists
- Draw on experience of the participants
- Provide opportunities to learn from each other
- Teach both theory and practice



Typical EG Officer Knowledge Level

Knowledge Level	Econ Pol	LIR	Fin Sec	Priv	T&I	Micro Ent	Ag	Ent Dev
Expert						\bigstar		
Conversant	\bigstar				\bigstar			
General			\bigstar					\bigstar
Limited				\bigstar				
Minimal		*					*	

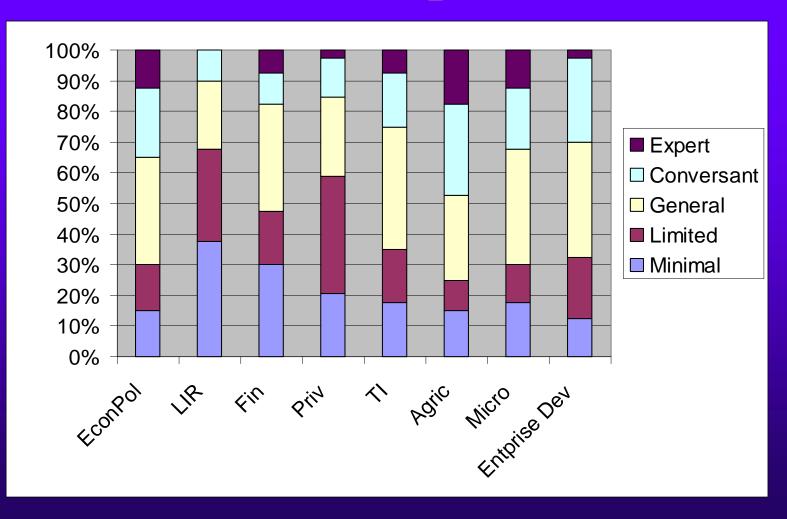


Target EG Officer Knowledge Level

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Self Rated Expertise





Credits

- ♦ EGAT: developed the concept and provided funding
- ♦ IBM: contractor responsible for design/delivery
- ♦ EGSC: technical oversight and guidance



Challenges

- ◆ Need to cover large amount of material in limited time
- Need to find ways to tap knowledge and experience of participants



Key to Success

Your Attendance and Participation Are Key to a Successful Course.